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Title- Diplomatic noise

Main editorial in Folha de S. Paulo (7-3) states: "...the level of dissonance in President Lula's foreign policy over the previous months inspires care and explanation. Brazil does it right when it sticks to principles and supports democracy and the return to the 'status quo' in Honduras....But when the brutal repression involving protests in Iran are in place, President Lula turns himself into a man that is similar to one that attracts votes to Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. There are times and places in which Brazil needs to express, in adequate terms, its point of view, as a pacifist and tolerant democratic society. The United Nation's Human Rights Council is one of these places. The violent repression of dissidents in Iran is one of these moments."
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